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FOR: STOPPER FOR CHEMICAL :  
MECHANICAL PLANARIZATION,  
METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING  
SAME, AND CHEMICAL MECHANICAL  
PLANARIZATION METHOD

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Responsive to the Office Action of August 18, 2006, Applicants request  
reconsideration in view of the following Remarks.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.